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DSU TAKES OVER PRIVATE SHIPPING OPERATIONS IN GDR;  
FISHING FLEET, MERCHANT MARINE TO BE EXPANDED

TO END PRIVATE SHIPPING -- Buenos Aires, Argentinisches Tageblatt, 13 Jul 51

Berlin (DPA) -- The state-operated DSU (Central Bureau of German Water Transport and Transshipping) is taking over private shipping operations in the German Democratic Republic to an increasing extent.

Originally, it had been planned to place 25 percent of all private shipowners under contract with the DSU by the end of May 1951. That quota has since been upped to 40 percent by the GDR Ministry of Transportation, with the provision that the remainder of private shipping be placed under DSU control by the end of 1951.

At this time, the loading capacity of the GDR's inland fleet is about 500,000 tons. However, the fact that many of the ships are no longer seaworthy causes serious shortages.

BUILDS DEEP-SEA FISHING TRAWLERS -- Berlin, Taegliche Rundschau, 10 Jun 51

The first deep-sea fishing craft of the German Democratic Republic are now under construction at the people-owned shipyard in Stralsund. The trawlers will be considerably larger than the fishing smacks built up to now. They will have a displacement of 1,050 tons and will be 9 meters wide and 58 meters long. The trawlers are to be propelled by 920-horsepower diesel engines and will be equipped to remain at sea up to 35 days.

TO EXPAND MERCHANT MARINE -- Buenos Aires, Argentinisches Tageblatt, 7 Jun 51

The imminent construction of 78 deep-sea trawlers and 18 merchant vessels has been announced by Wilhelm Pieck, President of the German Democratic Republic. In addition, 680 dredgers and 810 cutters are to be built in East German shipyards within the next 5 years.

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